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Dear Sir/Madam

In reference to File Number 082-02819, I enclose a copy of a Stock Exchange Announcement released today.

Yours faithfully

Gemma Knowles

Company Secretarial Assistant

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The Board of Severn Trent Plc is pleased to announce that Martin Houston has been appointed a Non-Executive Director, effective 1 September 2003.

Martin, aged 45, is currently Executive Vice President and Managing Director of BG Group's Atlantic, Europe and Mediterranean business and a member of the Group Executive Committee.

He joined BG Group in 1983 and has held a number of technical and commercial roles with a predominantly international focus. He has a BSc in Geology from Newcastle University and an MSc in Petroleum Geology from Imperial College, London. He is a fellow of the Geological Society of London.

Martin sits on the boards of SIGTTO (Society of International Gas Tanker & Terminal Operators Limited) and a number of trade advising groups with a focus on the eastern Mediterranean.

He is married with two daughters.

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